City of Houston Forms First Parking Commission in Texas

Houston Mayor Bill White today announced the formation of a citizen-led Public Parking Commission, the first of its kind in Texas. The commission consists of nine mayor-appointed regular members and six ex-officio members, all serving without compensation and confirmed by city council for one- or two-year terms.

In addition to serving as a public forum, the commission's main goal will be to direct Parking Management in resolving parking issues. The commission will also recommend parking-related ordinances and capital improvement projects to city council, gather and review data relating to the city's present and future parking needs, maintain a comprehensive inventory of the on-street parking supply and recommend to city council all matters for the management, development and advancement of the city's parking needs or facilities.

"We are committed to making traffic on our streets run smoothly and making city hall more efficient and responsive," said Mayor White, who approved the creation of a citizen-led Parking Commission in August 2005. "The commission will help us do that by managing one of our most important assets, available parking, and planning solutions that will meet future parking needs and help keep traffic flowing."

For more information about the Parking Commission or the City of Houston Parking Management, please call (713)837-0311 or visit www.houstonparking.org.